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AMIN'S ATTITUDE TOWARD PALESTINIAN TERRORISTS

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SUMMARY. ACTING FONMIN ETIANG SAYS HE PASSED ON TO GENERAL AMIN MY REMARKS TO HIM ABOUT OUR SECURITY CONCERNS AND ABOUT PALESTINIAN TERRORISM. AT ETIANG'S SUGGESTION GENERAL PLANS TO CALL ME IN SOMETIME NEXT WEEK " TO MAKE HIS POSITION CLEAR." ACTION REQUEST: IF DEPARTMENT HAS INSTRUCTIONS AS TO LINE TO BE TAKEN WITH GENERAL AMIN, REQUEST THEY BE SENT SOONEST. END SUMMARY.

1. ENCOUNTERED ACTING FONMIN PAUL ETIANG BY CHANCE AFTERNOON MARCH 10. HE SAID HE HAD HAD OPPORTUNITY AT ENTEBBE PREVIOUS DAY TO BRIEF GENERAL ON WHAT I HAD TOLD HIM ABOUT OUR SECURITY CONCERNS AND ATTITUDE TOWARD THINGS LIKE KHARTOUM. HE SAID GENERAL HAD AGAIN EXPLAINED HIS POSITION TO PLO REP, KHALID AL- SHEIKH, THAT MORNING. AL- SHEIKH, HE SAID, WAS DUE
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TO DEPART MARCH 11 ON LUFTHANSA. ETIANG SAID HE HAD SUGGESTED TO GENERAL THAT HE CALL ME IN AND " EXPLAIN HIS POSITION." AND GENERAL AGREED. MEETING WOULD BE SOMETIME NEXT WEEK AND HE WOULD LET ME KNOW.

2. I SAID I WOULD BE HAPPY TO MEET WITH GENERAL AND WOULD AWAIT WORD FROM HIM. ALSO THANKED ETIANG FOR POLICE COVERAGE HE HAS PROVIDED. ETIANG REMARKED THAT SUDANESE AMBASSADOR HAD REQUESTED GOU ASSISTANCE WITH SECURITY SIMILAR TO OURS AND HAD ALSO ASKED FOR SPECIAL PROTECTION FOR A RECEPTION HE IS GIVING MARCH 13 TO INTRODUCE HIS NEWLY- ARRIVED MILITARY ATTACHE. ETIANG SAID HE HAS OBTAINED SERVICES OF TEN SPECIAL BRANCH PEOPLE FOR RECEPTION AND HE IS TO BRIEF THEM MONDAY MORNING ON THEIR DUTIES. HE ADDED HE HOPED THEY WOULD NOT GET DRUNK BEFORE RECEPTION OVER. (EVERYONE HAS BEEN TALKING ABOUT THIS RECEPTION BECAUSE OF WHAT HAPPENED AT KHARTOUM. I INTEND TO ATTEND BRIEFLY, HAVING TWO OTHER COMMITMENTS THAT NIGHT, TO SHOW SOLIDARITY WITH OUR SUDANESE COLLEAGUE.)

3. COMMENT: AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, GENERAL AMIN SUFFERS FROM LOGORRHEIA. HE TRIES, AND USUALLY SUCCEEDS, IN MONOPOLIZING ANY CONVERSATION. NEVERTHELESS I EXPECT THERE MAY BE OPPORTUNITY TO TRY TO GET ACROSS A FEW IDEAS IN WORDS OF ONE SYLLABLE, AND WOULD THEREFORE APPRECIATE INSTRUCTIONS ON LINE TO BE TAKEN WITH HIM. IT MIGHT ALSO BE OF ASSISTANCE TO BE ABLE TO SAY I AM SPEAKING UNDER INSTRUCTIONS MY GOVERNMENT SO THAT HE DOES NOT GET IMPRESSION THIS IS MERELY SOME PECULIAR OBSESSION OF MY OWN.
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